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*Mr. Theodore C. Stribert*  
**Director,**  
**United States Information Agency**

Dear Ted:

I have read with great interest the second semi-annual Report to the Congress which Abbott sent to me. The progress indicated by the Report is gratifying.

It is my hope that this program will benefit in the coming year from the assistance which the intelligence community can provide.

I would like to express my appreciation for the fine cooperation, both in intelligence and in operations, which your staff has shown toward CIA and assure you that we will make every effort to continue to reciprocate.

Sincerely,

*SIGNED*

**ALLEN W. DULLES**  
**Director**

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UNITED STATES INFORMATION AGENCY  
WASHINGTON

September 7, 1954

Dear Allen:

Our second semi-annual Report to the Congress  
has just been issued.

We would be most grateful for any comments  
or suggestions.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Abbott Washburn".

Abbott Washburn  
Acting Director

The Honorable  
Allen W. Dulles,  
Director,  
Central Intelligence Agency

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Mr. Bissell would like you  
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RICHARD M. BISSELL, JR.

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9 August 1954

Mr. Abbott Washburn  
Acting Director  
United States Information Agency  
Washington, D. C.

Dear Abbott:

As I told you over the telephone, we sincerely appreciate your kind note of 30 July 1954 with regard to the Bissell Report. Of course it only could have been accomplished with the fine collaboration we had from you, State and others, in its preparation.

Dick Bissell is on his holiday, but I shall see that he has a copy of your letter.

Sincerely,

SIGNED

Allen W. Dulles  
Director

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OFFICE OF  
THE DIRECTOR

July 30, 1954

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Dear Allen:

Reference is made to your letter of July 23 with which you transmitted the "Report of the Survey of Intelligence Needs and Assets of the U.S. Information Agency." I agree wholeheartedly with the conclusions reached in the Report.

I have approved those recommendations which relate to my area of responsibility, and have commenced the staff work necessary for their implementation.

I agree that implementation of the Report will require continued consultation and cooperation between the interested agencies, especially during the critical formative stages of our own Intelligence Unit. I am designating Mr. Henry Loomis as a central point within USIA for such consultation with Mr. Bissell who, with his staff, has won the confidence and respect of every element of USIA with which they have come in contact.

The survey has already helped solve some of our most pressing problems. Several new procedures have been established, both within USIA and between USIA and other agencies, as a direct result of the survey. I have every hope that adoption of all the recommendations will result in a major improvement in intelligence support for USIA, and in utilization of its intelligence assets.

Sincerely,

Abbott Washburn  
Acting Director

The Honorable  
Allen W. Dulles,  
Director, Central Intelligence Agency,  
2430 "E" Street, N.W.  
Washington 25, D.C.

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MEMORANDUM FOR: Mr. Dulles

I have sent the carbon copy of this letter  
to Mr. Bissell for information.



RWF

3 August 1954  
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